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**UNDERSERVED CULTURAL COMMUNITIES  
SUBCOMMITTEES**

One of the cornerstones of the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) is to empower under-represented and unserved ethnic/cultural groups and to give them a voice in the community stakeholder process.

LACDMH aims to expand services to include culturally competent and linguistically appropriate approaches to ethnic/cultural communities that have been historically marginalized by the public mental health system.

The term **Underserved Cultural Communities (UsCC)** refers to communities historically unserved, underserved, and inappropriately served, in terms of mental health services. UsCC subcommittees have been developed by LACDMH to address the needs of targeted ethnic/cultural communities.

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## The UsCC subcommittees include the following:

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- Asian Pacific Islander (API)
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- Latino
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Each UsCC subcommittee meets monthly to discuss relevant issues and projects. UsCC subcommittee meetings are open to the general public, consumers/clients/peers, family members, community organizations, community members, and ethnic/cultural special interest groups.

Each of the UsCC subcommittees is allotted funding to develop capacity building projects to serve their respective UsCC community. The projects aim to increase knowledge of signs and symptoms of mental illness, increase awareness of mental health resources, encourage early access of services, and decrease stigma. The UsCC capacity building projects help LACDMH to better reach, retain, and serve the members of these communities throughout Los Angeles County in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner.

## Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health UNDERSERVED CULTURAL COMMUNITIES

### Interest Form

#### Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please check all that apply:

- ☐ Student
- ☐ Community Member
- ☐ Consumer/Family Member/Peer
- ☐ Contracted Agency (Line Staff)
- ☐ County Employee
- ☐ Community Based Organization (Staff)
- ☐ Member of a Special Interest Group
- ☐ Other (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Which UsCC groups are you interested in joining?

- ☐ Access For All
- ☐ American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN)
- ☐ Asian Pacific Islander (API)
- ☐ Black & African Heritage
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- ☐ LGBTQIA2-S

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